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In re Application of:

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Application No. 09/398,126

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DECISION ON PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF

ABANDONMENT

This is a response to the Petition to Withdraw the Holding of Abandonment for the above identified application, filed October 23, 2003.

The petition is granted.

The application was held abandoned for failure to pay the issue fee in response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due (Notice of Allowance) mailed July 01, 2003.

The petitioner asserts that the practitioner did not receive the Notice of Allowance of July 01, 2003. The petitioner has provided a copy of the docket records where the non-received Office Action would have been entered had it been received and docketed. The petitioner has provided copies of the requests to change the correspondence address filed on February 19, 2002 and April 15, 2003. Additionally, on August 29, 2003, the petitioner faxed the United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) a copy of the April 15<sup>th</sup> request along with a postcard receipt.

A review of the application file record reveals that a change of address was received on March 06, 2002. However, the change of address was not processed and as a result, the Notice of Allowance and the Notice of Allowability were mailed to an incorrect address. The PTO changed the address to the correct correspondence address on September 11, 2003, as a result of the facsimile received on August 29, 2003.

In view of the above, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn.

The application file is being forwarded to the Technology Center 2800 support staff for remailing the Notices mailed July 01, 2003. The statutory periods for response set therein will be reset to run three months from the date the Notices are re-mailed. Extensions of time for these statutory periods are not available. See 37 C.F.R. 1.136(c) effective November 7, 2000.

The Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) received on August 28, 2003, has been received and considered by the examiner. A copy of the initialed IDS is attached hereto.

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